M.P. Government evicting people living around ponds

2167. SHRI KAILASH JOSHI: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Madhya Pradesh Government is forcibly evicting people living below poverty line around the village ponds on the pretext of environmental pollution;

(b) if so, whether the State Government have issued such orders without earmarking land for their rehabilitation;

(c) what are the reasons that such orders are not applicable to State/Centre establishments and other residents around the village ponds; and

(d) whether Central Government have issued any instruction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a) No, Sir. Accordingly to the Government of Madhya Pradesh no such forcible evictions are being done.

(b) and (c) Questions do not arise.

(d) The Central Government has not issued any instructions in this regard.

Houses constructed under IAY in Faridkot District, Punjab

†2168. SHRIMATI GURCHARAN KAUR: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses constructed during 1995 to 2001 in Faridkot district of Punjab under Indira Awas Yojana; and

(b) the village-wise details thereof and the funds allocated therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ANNASAHEB M.K. PATIL): (a)and (b) Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) was a sub-scheme of erstwhile Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY). It became an independent scheme during 1996-97 and since then district-wise monitoring is being done. A total number of 725 houses were constructed under IAY in Faridkot District, Punjab during 1996—2001 by

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